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Remarks

Applicants are filing this amendment along with an RCE and a Petition to Withdraw Application from Issuance. Applicants recently noted that FIG. 1 did not appear to be included with the application passed to allowance by Examiner Lawrence. Applicants therefore are filing this RCE to amend the application to include FIG. 1.

Applicants also are filing this RCE for consideration of new claims 258-264. These claims were presented originally in applicants' Amendment after Final, filed on March 14, 2004. These claims were not allowed. Applicants believe they are entitled to have such claims issue from the present application.

Finally, applicants also are filing an accompanying Information Disclosure Statement to have art in addition to that previously cited to or by the Patent Office considered during prosecution of the present application.

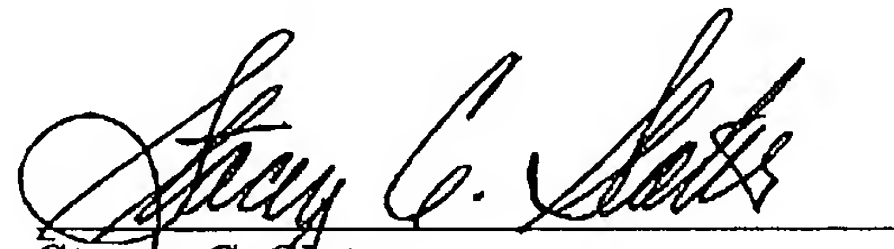
Claims 73, 74, 76, 79, 82-89, 91, 98, 100-110, 122-127, 159-166, 172-174, 178, 184, 188 and 190-257 were allowed previously, such claims are still in condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully requested.

The Patent Office is invited to call the undersigned if there are any questions concerning this amendment or applicants' accompanying RCE and/or Petition to Withdraw Application from Issuance.

Respectfully submitted,

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